



This route is a partnership between

- The Millennium Commission
- North Lanarkshire Council
- West Lothian Council
- Scottish Executive
- Sustrans

Hillend Loch Railway Path

This 14 mile cycleway and footpath forms part of the Clyde to Forth National Cycle Route. It follows the line of the old Airdrie to Bathgate Junction Railway (opened in 1862 and closed to passengers in 1956 and to freight in the late 1980s). The route starts at Drumgelloch Railway Station, Airdrie and ends near Bathgate Railway Station. It takes you along the shore of the Hillend Loch and offers fine views over the central plateau of Scotland, passing through Plains, Caldercruix and Blackridge.



Airdrie to
Bathgate
mainly
traffic-free
path for
cyclists
and
walkers

Sculptures along the route reflect the rich industrial and railway heritage of the area. The railway line is scheduled to be re-opened in 2007 and the cycle route will remain with some alteration to serve the new stations. The route is traffic-free, except for a short section through Caldercruix. There is wheelchair access to the whole route.

Sustrans - the sustainable transport charity - works on practical projects to encourage people to walk, cycle and use public transport in order to reduce motor traffic and its adverse effects. 5,000 miles of our flagship project, the National Cycle Network, were officially opened in June 2000, we will increase this to 10,000 miles by 2005.

The National Cycle Network is a comprehensive network of safe and attractive routes to cycle throughout the UK. 10,000 miles are due for completion by 2005, one third of which will be on traffic-free paths, the rest will follow quiet lanes or traffic-calmed roads. It is delivered through the policies and programmes of over 450 local authorities and other partners, and is co-ordinated by the charity Sustrans.

www.nationalcyclenetwork.org.uk

For more information on routes in your area:

Sustrans 0845 113 0065

or visit the interactive mapping on our web site.



AIRDRIE

Caldercruix

Blackridge

Armadale

BATHGATE

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Drumgelloch

Clarkston

Plains

Lilly Loch

Hillend

Hillend Loch

Forrestfield

Airdrie & District Angling Club
open daily
15 Mar - 6 Oct

Glacial deposit boulders

Polkennet Country Park

River Almond

Blackburn

To Edinburgh

Calderbank

Limerig

Black Loch

Black Hill

Forrestburn Reservoir

Harthill

Whitburn

	on-road route	facilities
	traffic-free route	cafe, hotel or public house
	link route	grocery shop, cycle shop or hire
	railway (station)	public toilets, post office
	access point	public telephone (rural)
	access control	milepost
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